

Amateur Photo Contest 2004

Sponsored by Friends of the Montezuma Wetlands Complex

Grab your camera and take a picture that captures the essence of the Complex. All age and amateur ability levels welcome! Check out the rules below, then tear off the entry form and send us your best.

RULES:

- 1.** Photo must have been taken during 2004 within the boundaries of the Montezuma Wetlands Complex. That includes the North end of Cayuga Lake, the Refuge, DEC lands in the area and any other public location in the townships of Tyre and Savannah. That means you can take a photo from a public road, the canal, public lands or any other place open to the general public.
- 2.** Entry fee is \$2.00 for each photo submitted (proceeds to benefit the Friends activities). There is no limit as to how many photos an individual may submit. Submissions become the property of the Friends group to be used as specified. Each photo must be labeled with your name, location of the photo and the category you are submitting it to. Make checks payable to: Friends of the Montezuma Wetlands Complex.
- 3.** Contest is open to amateurs only. USFWS, DEC employees and Friend's board members are also excluded.
- 4.** Submissions must be black and white or color prints, 5x7 or smaller. Do not submit original slides or negatives. Only winning entries will be asked to provide original slides

or negatives for duplication purposes. Prints will only be returned if entrant provides a self-addressed stamped envelope.

5. Digital images are allowed in any category. Digital images should have minimal manipulation such as cropping and exposure, but NOT cutting and pasting or other advanced techniques that create end products that do not reflect the scene as it appeared in reality.

6. All photos submitted should have a nature theme. Submissions must be in one of the following categories:

- A.** Bird
- B.** Other wildlife (mammals, insects, fish, etc.)
- C.** Scenic/Plant
- D.** People and Nature

7. Deadline for submissions is Dec. 15th, 2004.

PRIZES: All winning entrants will receive a framed 8x10 copy of their photo. An additional 8X10 will be displayed at the Montezuma Visitor Center and then raffled with proceeds to benefit the Friends of the Montezuma Wetlands Complex. In addition, "Best in Show" will be turned into a limited edition postcard with no more than 400 copies made. 25 copies will be given to the winning entrant.



ENTRY FORM

NAME: _____

ADDRESS : _____

PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

MAIL ENTRY TO: Photo Contest c/o Montezuma Refuge, 3395 Routes 5 & 20 East, Seneca Falls, NY 13148

Entry #1 (title): _____ Category: _____ Location: _____

Entry #2 (title): _____ Category: _____ Location: _____

Entry #3 (title): _____ Category: _____ Location: _____

Entry #4 (title): _____ Category: _____ Location: _____

I acknowledge that I have read the rules and understand them. I agree that submissions become the property of the Friend's group and they may be used for publicity purposes and as specified within the rules.

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____